

Minutes of the Southeast PTO
April 6, 2009

CALL TO ORDER: 7:02PM

IN ATTENDANCE: Monique Brown, Kim O'Keefe, Lesley Sweeney, Andrea Lennon, Julie Brown, Dave Delaney, Patty Braithwaite, Karen Sommer

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT: Not present, Kim O'Keefe spoke on her behalf

Parent's Hour: None tonight

Rescheduled Joanne Freiberg for next Parent Hour Monday, May 4th, 6 – 7PM

Calendar of Events (on web site)

Highlights:

Southeast TV Turnoff Week Assembly

Thursday, April 30th 3rd & 4th 1:20-2:20PM – K, 1st & 2nd 2:20 – 3:20

TEACHER'S REPORT: Monique Brown

Cheryl Hathway had a suggestion for a note card fundraiser.

The recommendation was to develop a pre-order form to assess interest and decide on the amount for the PTO to front to cover initial cost.

SECRETARY'S REPORT: Monique Brown

February's minutes were reviewed.

The rule for posting PTO minutes on the web was reviewed. Only DRAFT minutes will be distributed via email and posted on the board until the formal acceptance of the minutes occurs at the following PTO meeting.

Motion for acceptance by: Dave Delaney

2nd by : Patty Braithwaite

All in Favor

TREASURER'S REPORT: Lesley Sweeney

Highlights:

Books were given to classrooms during the Book Fair. The money used for this was taken from the American Education Week budget.

The new Wii was paid for Spec Ed/ESL grant

Motion to accept the Treasurer's report: Julie Brown

Seconded by: Dave Delaney

OTHER:

SCHOOL DANCE: Andrea Lennon; Flyers will go out on May 1st.

TAG SALE: Andrea Lennon. A group met and split up the responsibilities. Ads were submitted for the sale. It will be Saturday, May 16 from 8-2. The Salvation Army is not accepting any more donations. The committee is looking to bring leftovers to the

Transfer Station Swap Shop and the Town Library has agreed to take the leftover books and videos.

USED CLOTHING FUND DRIVE: It will be the week of April 22 – May 1st. The proceeds will be going to a needy family.

FUNDRAISING:

Karen Sommer: Butterbraids and Munsons did well; Made about \$1100.00

Richelle Strimple mentioned that the bulb fundraiser raised \$455.00

Looking for people next year to coordinate the Ice Cream Social and the Silent Auction.

TEACHER APRECIATION LUNCHEON: Wednesday, May 6th, 11:30 – 1
VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED

IDEAS TO ATTRACT NEW PARENTS:

She suggested that the International Pot Luck Dinners be at the start of the school year, possibly including some craft stations for the kids.

TOWN BUDGET: Kim O’Keefe mentioned she had been attending Board of Education meetings to keep informed on the budget. She stated that the Board of Ed gets 75% of the Town’s budget. She mentioned that regionalizing schools was on the table as was bringing Chaplin into the MMS population (Parish Hill) who would then go to EOS. They are looking for federal dollars to fund renovations or a brand new elementary school. The one Kim visited in Colchester was “huge”. She also stated that a K – 12 regionalized school was not out of the question. Kim strongly suggested trying to attend board meetings. She stated you can ask questions at the beginning of the meeting and at the end.

OFFICER POSITIONS: Kim O’Keefe mentioned that we usually transition officer positions in June. It was stated that Jenny Novick was interested in the Secretary’s position. Monique Brown will contact her. Lesley Sweeney will talk with Karen Mitlitsky’s interest in an officer’s position to see if she would want the Treasurer’s job. Julie Brown is looking to run for President. Andrea Lennon has already agreed to be Vice Chair for next year.

BABYSITTER: A substitute babysitter for the PTO meetings is needed. Monique Brown stated that Carolyn Brown would like this position.

Motion to adjourn: Kim O’Keefe

Motion seconded by: Patty Braithwaite

MEETING ADJOURNED: 8:10 PM
RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED BY: MONIQUE M. BROWN
NEXT MEETING: Monday, May 4, 2009